IN RE: PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING

Cor. SW/S Philadelphia Road,

SW/S Ridge Road

8770 Philadelphia Road 14th Election District 7th Councilmanic District Lorraine Volz, Petitioner * BEFORE THE

* ZONING COMMISSIONER

* OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

* Case No. 96-162-SPH

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FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

This matter comes before the Zoning Commissioner as a Petition for Special Hearing for the property located at 8770 Philadelphia Road in eastern Baltimore County. The Petition is filed by Lorraine Volz, property owner. Special Hearing relief is requested to approve, as a nonconforming use, the use of the property as a contractor's equipment storage yard so that said property can be used as a horticultural nursery not in violations of Sections 101, 102.1 and 1801.1.A of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (BCZR).

Appearing at the requisite public hearing held for this case was Lorraine Volz, property owner. Also appearing in support of the Petition was John Volz, the Petitioner's son. Others appearing in support of the Petition were Roy Shifflett and Howard Conners. The Petitioner was represented by Leslie M. Pittler, Esquire. There were no Protestants or other interested persons present.

The uncontradicted testimony and evidence presented was that the subject property is approximately 4.0176 acres in area zoned D.R.5.5. The property is located adjacent to the intersection of Philadelphia Road and Ridge Road. Apparently, the subject property is part of a larger tract which was acquired by the Volz family many years ago. Henry M. Volz, the deceased husband of Lorraine Volz and father of John Volz, acquired the property on April 4, 1938. A deed from the Land Records of Baltimore County evidencing his acquisition at that time was submitted into the record. Subsequently, Mr. Volz transferred the property from himself,

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solely, to he and his wife, jointly, on December 18, 1992. The property is presently owned by Mrs. Volz, following the death of her husband. Additional testimony and evidence offered is that the property has been used to store contractor's equipment since Mr. Volz acquired same in 1938. In this regard, John, his son, testified that he helped his father and the business as a child and has been involved with same ever since that time. The younger Mr. Volz was born in 1940 and is now 55 years of age. described the business as a part time vocation which operates as a nursery selling plants, trees and other nursery stock. Additionally, the business sells top soil, sand, mulch and other items accessory to the nursery operation. Mr. Volz indicates that the business is a part time occupation, however, has continued uninterruptedly from this property since 1938. As part of the business, Mr. Volz utilizes front end loaders, tractors and other contractors equipment.

Mr. Volz's testimony was corroborated by Mr. Shifflett and Mr. Conners. Mr. Shifflett is a long time member of the VFW Hall which is located across the street. He has been familiar with the property since 1952 and testified that same has been utilized to store contractor's equipment since the early 1950s.

Mr. Howard Conners lives approximately one block away and has resided on his property for 70 years. He corroborated the testimony of Mr. Volz and Mr. Shifflett and confirmed that the property has been used in the manner described above since the 1930s. Both independent witnesses also confirmed that the use has not been abandoned or discontinued over the years and has not expanded. To the contrary, the Volz's original holdings have been reduced over the years as parts of the original tract were sold.

A nonconforming use is defined in Section 101 of the BCZR and regulated in Section 104 thereof. A nonconforming use designation can be uti-

lized to grandfather an otherwise existing use. Essentially, a nonconforming use designation allows a use which is now prohibited by the BCZR. The Petitioner must prove that the use existed prior to the prohibiting statute and that same has continued on a non-interrupted or unabandoned basis since the enactment of the prohibiting legislation.

The testimony and evidence presented by the Petitioner in this case is uncontradicted and easily satisfies the test. The evidence presented is conclusive that the property has been utilized in its current fashion since well prior to 1945, the date the first set of zoning regulations were adopted in Baltimore County. Thus, for these reasons, the Petition for Special Hearing shall be granted.

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and public hearing on this Petition held, and for the reasons given above, the relief requested should be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County this 5 day of December, 1995 that, pursuant to the Petition for Special Hearing, approval for the use of the property as a contractor's equipment storage yard so that said property can be used as a horticultural nursery not in violation of Sections 101, 102.1 and 1801.1.A of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (BCZR), be and is hereby GRANTED, subject, however, to the following restriction.

1. The Petitioner is hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at her own risk until such time as the 30 day appellate process from this Order has expired. If, for whatever reason, this Order is reversed, the Petitioner would be required to return, and be responsible for returning, said property to its original condition.

LAWRENCE E. SCHMIDT

Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

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Petition for Special Hearing

to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

for the property located at

8770 Philadelphia Road, 2

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This Petition shall be filed with the Office of Zoning Administration & Development Management.

Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations.

The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Special Hearing under Section 500.7 of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to determine whether or not the Zoning Commissioner should approve

The above said property, as a non-confirming use, in order that the property not be in violation of sections 101, 102.1, 1B01.1A, so that the owner may have contractor's equipment stored on the property and can be used as a horticultural nursery.

We do solemnly declare and affirm, under the penalties of perjury, that I/we are the legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petition.

Contract Purchaser/Lessee

Legal Owner(s)

Legal Owner(s)

(Type or Print Name)

Signature

Address

(Type or Print Name)

I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Special Hearing advertising, posting, etc., upon filing of this petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law for Baltimore County.

City State Zipcode Signature 8770 Philadelphia Road

Attorney for Petitioner

Address

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Baltimore, Md. 21237

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Name

29 W. Susquehanna Ave., Ste. 610

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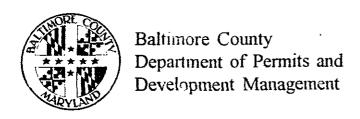
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Development Processing County Office Building 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

ZONING HEARING ADVERTISING AND POSTING REQUIREMENTS & PROCEDURES

Baltimore County zoning regulations require that notice be given to the general public/neighboring property owners relative to property which is the subject of an upcoming zoning hearing. For those petitions which require a public hearing, this notice is accomplished by posting a sign on the property and placement of a notice in at least one newspaper of general circulation in the County.

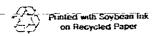
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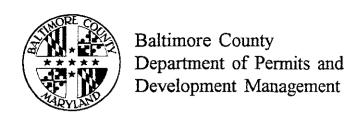
PAYMENT WILL BE MADE AS FOLLOWS:

- Posting fees will be accessed and paid to this office at the time of filing.
- 2) Billing for legal advertising, due upon receipt, will come from and should be remitted directly to the newspaper.

NON-PAYMENT OF ADVERTISING FEES WILL STAY ISSUANCE OF ZONING ORDER.

ARNOLD JABLON, DIRECTOR
For newspaper advertising:
Item No.: 158 Petitioner: Lorraine Volz
Location: 8770 Philadelphia Roal
PLEASE FORWARD ADVERTISING BILL TO:
NAME: Leslie M. Pittler, Esquire
ADDRESS: 29 W. Susquehann Auc , Ste 610
Touson, mo 21204
PHONE NUMBER: 823-4455





Development Processing County Office Building 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

October 27, 1995

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Room 118, Old Courthouse, 400 Washington Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204 as follows:

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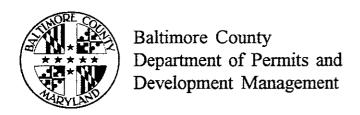
HEARING: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1995 at 11:00 a.m. in Room 118, Old Courthouse.

Armold Jablon Director

cc: Lorraine Volz
Leslie M. Pittler, Esq.

NOTES: (1) ZONING SIGN & POST MUST BE RETURNED TO RM. 104, 111 W. CHESAPEAKE AVENUE ON THE HEARING DATE.

- (2) HEARINGS ARE HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE; FOR SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS PLEASE CALL 887-3353.
- (3) FOR INFORMATION CONCERING THE FILE AND/OR HEARING, CONTACT THIS OFFICE AT 887-3391.



Development Processing County Office Building 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

November 21, 1995

Leslie M. Pittler, Esquire 29 West Susquehanna Ave., Suite 610 Towson, Maryland 21204

RE: Item No.: 158

Case No.: 96-162-SPH Petitioner: L. Volz

Dear Mr. Pittler:

The Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC), which consists of representatives from Baltimore County approval agencies, has reviewed the plans submitted with the above referenced petition, which was accepted for processing by Permits and Development Management (PDM), Zoning Review, on October 16, 1995.

Any comments submitted thus far from the members of ZAC that offer or request information on your petition are attached. These comments are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning action requested, but to assure that all parties (zoning commissioner, attorney, petitioner, etc.) are made aware of plans or problems with regard to the proposed improvements that may have a bearing on this case. Only those comments that are informative will be forwarded to you; those that are not informative will be placed in the permanent case file.

If you need further information or have any questions regarding these comments, please do not hesitate to contact the commenting agency or Joyce Watson in the zoning office (887-3391).

Sincerely,

W. Carl Richards, Jr. Zoning Supervisor

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Attachment(s)

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BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Arnold Jablon, Director DATE: Oct. 30, 1995 Zoning Administration and Development Management

Robert W. Bowling, P.E., Chief Development Plans Review Division

RE: Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting for October 30, 1995 Item 158

The Development Plans Review Division has reviewed the subject zoning item. Adequate onsite parking shall be provided.

This office recommends that the Hearing Officer require a landscape buffer for the adjacent public roads and any adjacent residential uses.

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Baltimore County Government Fire Department



700 East Joppa Road Suite 901 Towson, MD 21286-5500

(410) 887-4500

DATE: 10/11/95

Arnold Jablon
Director
Zoning Administration and
Development Management
Baltimore County Office Building
Towson, MD 21204
MAIL STOP-1105

RE: Property Owner: SEE BELOW

LOCATION: DISTRIBUTION MEETING OF OCT. 30, 1995.

Item No.: SEE BELOW Zoning Agenda:

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to your request, the referenced property has been surveyed by this Bureau and the comments below are applicable and required to be corrected or incorporated into the final plans for the property.

8. The Fire Marshal's Office has no comments at this time, IN REFERENCE TO THE FOLLOWING ITEM NUMBERS:152, 156, 157, 158, 159 & 160.

REVIEWER: LT. ROBERT P. SAUERWALD

Fire Marshal Office, PHONE 887-4881, MS-1102F

cc: File

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David L. Winstead Secretary Hal Kassoff Administrator

Ms. Joyce Watson Baltimore County Office of Permits and Development Management County Office Building, Room 109 Towson, Maryland 21204

RE:

Baltimore County Item No. 158 (MJK)

Dear Ms. Watson:

This office has reviewed the referenced item and we have no objection to approval as it does not access a State roadway and is not affected by any State Highway Administration projects.

Please contact Bob Small at 410-333-1350 if you have any questions.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this item.

Very truly yours,

Ronald Burns, Chief

Engineering Access Permits

BS/es

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

DATE: October 23, 1995

TO:

Arnold Jablon, Director

Permits and Development

Management

FROM:

Pat Keller, Director

Office of Planning

SUBJECT:

Petitions from Zoning Advisory Committee

The Office of Planning has no comments on the following petition(s):

Item Nos. 133, 157, 158, 159, and 160

If there should be any further questions or if this office can provide additional information, please contact Jeffrey Long in the Office of Planning at 887-3480.

Prepared by: My Xox

Division Chief: Canl. Clima

PK/JL

PETITION PROBLEMS

#152 --- MJK

- Folder says zoning is M.L.-A.S. & B.R.-A.S.; petition wording says B.R.-C.S.-1 & M.L.-I.M. -- Which is correct??
- 2. No telephone numbers for legal owners.

#155 --- MJK

1. Need title of person signing for legal owner, as well as authorization for this person to sign.

#158 --- MJK

- 1. No telephone number for legal owner.
- 2. See planner's memo to hearing officer (no descriptions, plan is illegible).

#159 --- MJK

1. No telephone number for legal owner.

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND Inter-Office Memorandum

DATE:

October 13, 1995

TO:

Hearing Officer

FROM:

Mitchell J. Kellman Planner II, PDM

SUBJECT:

Item #158

8770 Philadelphia Road

This petition was filed "as is" by the request of the attorney. This $\underline{\text{does}}$ not meet the filing checklist in the zoning office.

Any questions, let me know.

MJK:scj

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ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

Please enter the appearance of the People's Counsel in the abovecaptioned matter. Notice should be sent of any hearing dates or other proceedings in this matter and of the passage of any preliminary or final Order.

PETER MAX ZIMMERMAN

People's Counsel for Baltimore County

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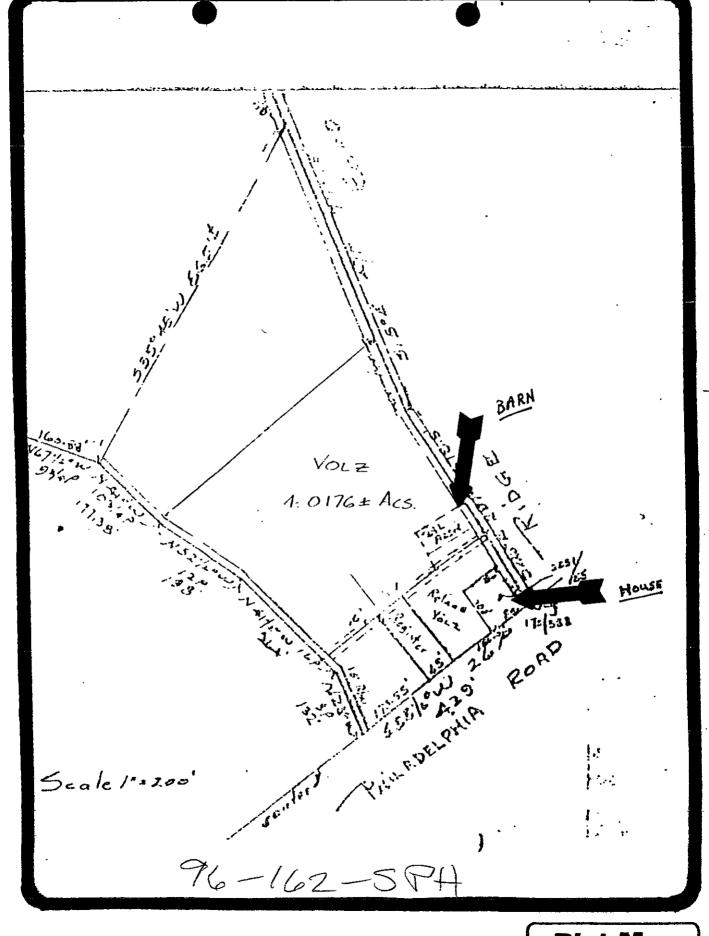
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Deputy People's Counsel Room 47, Courthouse 400 Washington Avenue Towson, MD 21204 (410) 887-2188

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 24 day of November, 1995, a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to Leslie M. Pittler, Esquire, 29 W. Susquehanna Avenue, Towson, MD 21204, attorney for Petitioner.

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Plat Map

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THIS DEED made this #, day of April, in the year Nineteen hundred and thirty-eight, by ROLAND J.L.VOLZ, of the first part, Grantor, and HENRY M. VOLZ of the second part, Grantee, both of Baltimore County in the State of Maryland.

WHEREAS by the last Will and Testament of John C. Volz, late of Baltimore County deceased, duly admitted to probate by the Orphans Court of Baltimore County, the land and premises hereinafter described being a part of that devised by the said John C. Volz to the said Roland J.L.Volz and Henry M. Volz as tenants in common; and whereas the parties hereto desire to divide the same so that each may hold his portion in severalty, these presents are executed.

THEREFORE THIS DEED WITNESSETH, that in consideration of the sum of Five Dollars and the execution of a deed by the said Henry M. Volz of his undivided interest in and to the rest of the said land, the said Roland J.L. Volz, single, does hereby grant and convey unto the said Henry M. Volz his heirs and assigns, subject to a life estate in and to said property reserved unto their mother Amelia H.R. Volz by the said last Will and Testament of the said John C. Volz all of that land which by the said last Will and Testament of John C. Volz deceased, was devised unto the said Roland J.L. Volz and Henry Volz as tenants in common; saving and excepting that portion of the same which by deed of even date herewith was conveyed by the said Henry M. Volz and wife to the said Roland J.L. Volz as his portion of the whole.

TOGETHER with the buildings and improvements thereon, and all and every the rights, ways, waters, privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging or in anywise appertaining.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said land and premises hereby granted unto the said Henry M. Volz his heirs and assigns forever in fee simple; subject however to the life estate in the said Amelia H.R. Volz hereinbefore mentioned.

AND the said Roland J.L. Volz does hereby covenant that he will

warrant specially the land and premises hereby granted, and that he will execute such further assurances of the same as may be requisite.

AS WITNESS the hand and seal of the said Grantor.

TEST:

Henry J. Hoffmerster

STATE OF MARYLAND, BALTIMORE COUNTY, TO WIT:----

I hereby certify that on this the day of April in the year Nineteen hundred and thirty-eight, before the subscriber a Notary Public of the State of Maryland, in and for Baltimore County aforesaid, personally appeared Roland J.L.Volz and he acknowledged the foregoing to be his act and deed.

WITNESS my hand and Notarial seal.

Henry J. Hoffmeroler Notary Public. TRANSFERRED

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FRE-BIMPLE DEED -- INDIVIDUAL ANTOR AND GRANTEE -- 2-12

TRANSFER TAX NOT REQUIRED

Walter R. Richardson

Director of Finance

Authorized Signature

This Deed, Made this

18th

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in the year one thousand nine hundred and seventy-two, by and between HENRY M. VOLZ,

do es hereby grant and convey unto the said Grantees, as tenants by the entireties, their assigns, and to the survivor of them and his or her - - -

heirs and assigns, -----

in fee simple, all that ------ lot(x) of ground, situate, lying and being in the Fourteenth Election District of Baltimore County ------

, State of Maryland, and described as follows, that is to say:--

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All that land which was devised by the Last Will and Testament of John C. Volz, which is of record in the Office of the Register of Wills for Baltimore County in Wills Liber J.P.C. No. 33, folio 499, to Roland J. L. Volz and Henry M. Volz, subject to a life estate in favor of Amelia H. R. Volz (since deceased). See also Deed from Roland J. L. Volz to Henry M. Volz dated April 4, 1938 and recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Liber C.W.B.Jr. No. 1027, folio 268.

SAVING AND EXCEPTING therefrom so much thereof as was conveyed by Henry M. Volz to Roland J. L. Volz by Deed dated April 4, 1938 and recorded among said Land Records in Liber C.W.B.Jr. No. 1027, folio 269.

AND ALSO SAVING AND EXCEPTING therefrom the land described in the following instruments:

Deed from Henry M. Volz and Lorraine Volz, his wife to Nicholas J. Regester and wife dated November 29, 1941 and recorded among said Land Records in Liber C.H.K. No. 1198, folio 251.

Deed from Henry M. Volz and H. Lorraine Volz, his wife to Golden Ring Permanent Land and Loan Association of Baltimore County dated October 24, 418. Deed from Henry M. Volz and Lorraine Volz, his wife to Volz, Investment Corporation dated October 23, 1962 and recorded among said Land Records in Liber W.J.R. No. 4064, folio 58; as corrected by Confirmatory Peed dated December 23, 1962 and recorded among said Land Records in Liber R.R.G.No. 4122, folio 90.

Deed from Henry M. Volz and H. Lorraine Volz, his wife to Golden Ring Permanent Land and Loan Association of Baltimore County dated March 30, 1963 and recorded among said Land Records in Liber R.R.G. No. 4131, folio 389.

Deed from Henry M. Volz and H. Lorraine Volz, his wife to John A. Smith and Anna M. Smith, his wife dated December 9, 1963 and recorded among said Land Records in Liber R.R.G. No. 4250, folio 607.

Inquisition, Baltimore County, Maryland vs. Henry M. Volz, dated January 5, 1972 and recorded among said Land Records in Liber O.T.G. No. 5242, folio 592.

AND ALSO SAVING AND EXCEPTING therefrom a portion of the land conveyed by Henry M. Volz to Frederick F. Volz by Deed dated August 28, 1972 and recorded among said Land Records in Liber E.H.K. No. 5301, folio 291. See also Confirmatory Deed recorded or intended to be recorded prior hereto.

TOGETHER with the buildings and improvements thereupon erected, made or being and all and every the rights, alleys, ways, waters, privileges, appurtenances and advantages, to the same belonging, or anywise appertaining.

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AND TOGETHER, and subject to, rights with respect to a private road as set forth in an Agreement between Henry M. Volz and Roland J. L. Volz et al. dated July 18, 1949 and recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Liber T.B.S. No. 1767, folio 487.

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Witness the hand and seal of said grantor

State of Maryland, BALTIMORE COUNTY

, to wit:

I HEREBY CERTIFY, That on this 18 day of December , 19 72 before me, the subscriber, a Notary Public of the State of Maryland, in and for Baltimore County aforesaid , personally appeared HENRY M. VOLZ, the above-named Grantor,

known to me (or satisfactorily proven) to be the person(s) whose name(s) is two subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same for the purposes therein contained, and in my presence signed and sealed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.

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A nonconforming use is defined in Section 101 of the BCZR and regulated in Section 104 thereof. A nonconforming use designation can be uti-

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BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND OFFICE OF FINANCE - REVENUE DIVISION

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ing use designation allows a use which is now prohibited by the BCZR. The Petitioner must prove that the use existed prior to the prohibiting statute and that same has continued on a non-interrupted or unabandoned basis since the enactment of the prohibiting legislation.

is uncontradicted and easily satisfies the test. The evidence presented is conclusive that the property has been utilized in its current fashion since well prior to 1945, the date the first set of zoning regulations were adopted in Baltimore County. Thus, for these reasons, the Petition for Special Hearing shall be granted.

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and public hearing on this Petition held, and for the reasons given above, the relief

> 1. The Petitioner is hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at her own risk until

> > Zoning Commissioner

lized to grandfather an otherwise existing use. Essentially, a nonconform-

requested should be granted.

day of December, 1995 that, pursuant to the Petition for Special Hearing, approval for the use of the property as a contractor's equipment storage yard so that said property can be used as a horticultural nursery not in violation of Sections 101, 102.1 and 1B01.1.A of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (BCZR), be and is hereby GRANTED, subject, however, to the following restriction.

> such time as the 30 day appellate process from this Order has expired. If, for whatever reason, this Order is reversed, the Petitioner would be required to return, and be responsible for returning, said property to its original condition.

The testimony and evidence presented by the Petitioner in this case

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore Coun-

for Baltimore County

LES:mmn

Baltimore County Department of Permits and

Development Management

Development Processing County Office Building III West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

ZONING HEARING ADVERTISING AND POSTING REQUIREMENTS & PROCEDURES

Baltimore County zoning regulations require that notice be given to the general public/neighboring property owners relative to property which is the subject of an upcoming zoning hearing. For those petitions which require a public hearing, this notice is accomplished by posting a sign on the property and placement of a notice in at least one newspaper of general circulation in the County.

This office will ensure that the legal requirements for posting and advertising are satisfied. However, the petitioner is responsible for the costs associated with these requirements.

PAYMENT WILL BE MADE AS FOLLOWS:

- 1) Posting fees will be accessed and paid to this office at the time of filing.
- 2) Billing for legal advertising, due upon receipt, will come from and should be remitted directly to the newspaper.

NON-PAYMENT OF ADVERTISING FEES WILL STAY ISSUANCE OF ZONING ORDER.

ARNOLD JABLON, DIRECTOR For newspaper advertising: Item No.: 158 Petitioner: Lorraine Volz Location: 8770 Philadelphia Road PLEASE FORWARD ADVERTISING BILL TO: NAME: Leslie M. Pittler, Esquire ADDRESS: 29 W. Susquehanna Auc , 5to 610 Touson, mo 21204 PHONE NUMBER: \$23-4455

Baltimore County
Department of Permits and
Development

Development Processing County Office Building 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

October 27, 1995

NOTICE OF HEARING

The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, by authority of the Zoning Act and Regulations of Baltimore County, will hold a public bearing on the property identified herein in Room 106 of the County Office Building, 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue in Towson, Maryland 21204

Petition for Special Hearing

The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached

hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Special Hearing under Section 500.7 of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County,

The above said property, as a non-confirming use, in order that the

property not be in violation of sections 101, 102.1, 1801.1A, so that

the owner may have contractor's equipment stored on the property and

I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Special Hearing advertising, posting, etc., upon filing of this petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law for Baltimore County.

This Petition shall be filed with the Office of Zoning Administration & Development Management.

Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations.

to determine whether or not the Zoning Commissioner should approve

Leslie M. Pittler, Esquire

29 W. Susquehanna Ave., Ste. 610

Towson, Md. 21204 823-4455

Contract Purchaser/Lessee

can be used as a horticultural nursery.

to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

for the property located at 8770 Philadelphia Road, 21237

which is presently zoned DR 5.5

I/We do solemnly declare and affirm, under the penalties of perjury, that I/we are the

8770 Philadelphia Road

Baltimore, Md. 21237

REVIEWED BY: 2001 DATE 10/12/45

legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petition.

Lorraine Volz

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Room 118, Old Courthouse, 400 Washington Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204 as follows:

CASE NUMBER: 96-162-SPH (Item 158) 8770 Philadelphia Road corner NW/S Philadelphia Road, SW/S Ridge Road 14th Election District - 7th Councilmanic Legal Owner: Lorraine Volz

Special Hearing to approve as a non-conforming use so that the owner may have contractor's equipment stored on the property and can be used as a borticultural nursery.

HEARING: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1995 at 11:90 a.m. in Ro 118, Old Courthouse.

Arnold Jablon

cc: Lorraine Volz Leslie M. Pittler, Esq.

NOTES: (1) ZONING SIGN & POST MUST BE RETURNED TO RM. 104, 111 W. CHESAPEAKE AVENUE ON THE HEARING DATE. (2) HEARINGS ARE HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE; FOR SPECIAL ACCORDIDATIONS PLEASE CALL 887-3353. (3) FOR INFORMATION CONCERING THE FILE AND/OR HEARING, CONTACT THIS OFFICE AT 887-3391.

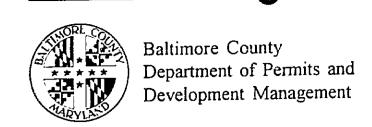
CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that the annexed advertisement was

published in THE JEFFERSONIAN, a weekly newspaper published in Towson, Baltimore County, Md., once in each of ____ successive weeks, the first publication appearing on 11/2, 19 94.

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Development Processing County Office Building Towson, Maryland 21204

November 21, 1995

Leslie M. Pittler, Esquire 29 West Susquehanna Ave., Suite 610 Towson, Maryland 21204

> RE: Item No.: 158 Case No.: 96-162-SPH Petitioner: L. Volz

Dear Mr. Pittler:

The Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC), which consists of representatives from Baltimore County approval agencies, has reviewed the plans submitted with the above referenced petition, which was accepted for processing by Permits and Development Management (PDM), Zoning Review, on October 16, 1995.

Any comments submitted thus far from the members of ZAC that offer or request information on your petition are attached. These comments are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning action requested, but to assure that all parties (zoning commissioner, attorney, petitioner, etc.) are made aware of plans or problems with regard to the proposed improvements that may have a bearing on this case. Only those comments that are informative will be forwarded to you; those that are not informative will be placed in the permanent case file.

If you need further information or have any questions regarding these comments, please do not hesitate to contact the commenting agency or Joyce Watson in the zoning office (887-3391).

> Sincerely, W. Carl Richards, Jr. .Zoning Supervisor

WCR/jw Attachment(s)

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

Arnold Jablon, Director Permits and Development

DATE: October 23, 1995

Pat Keller, Director Office of Planning

Management

SUBJECT: Petitions from Zoning Advisory Committee

The Office of Planning has no comments on the following petition(s): Item Nos. 133, 157, 158, 159, and 160

If there should be any further questions or if this office can provide additional information, please contact Jeffrey Long in the Office of Planning at 887-3480.

111 West Chesapeake Avenue

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Arnold Jablon, Director DATE: Oct. 30, 1995 Zoning Administration and Development Management

FROM Robert W. Bowling, P.E., Chief Development Plans Review Division

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting for October 30, 1995 Item 158

The Development Plans Review Division has reviewed the subject zoning item. Adequate onsite parking shall be provided.

This office recommends that the Hearing Officer require a landscape buffer for the adjacent public roads and any adjacent residential uses.

RWB:sw

Baltimore County Government Fire Department

700 East Joppa Road Suite 901 Towson, MD 21286-5500

(410) 887-4500

DATE: 10/11/95

Arnold Jablon Director Zoning Administration and Development Management Baltimore County Office Building Towson, MD 21204 MAIL STOP-1105

RE: Property Owner: SEE BELOW

LOCATION: DISTRIBUTION MEETING OF OCT. 30, 1995.

Item No.: SEE BELOW Zoning Agenda:

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to your request, the referenced property has been surveyed by this Bureau and the comments below are applicable and required to be corrected or incorporated into the final plans for the property.

8. The Fire Marshal's Office has no comments at this time, IN REFERENCE TO THE FOLLOWING ITEM NUMBERS: 152, 156, 157, 158, 159 & 160. 🧹

REVIEWER: LT. ROBERT P. SAUERWALD Fire Marshal Office, PHONE 887-4881, MS-1102F

cc: File

Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration

David L. Winstead Secretary Hal Kassoff Administrator

10-23-95

RE: Baltimore County Permits and Development Management County Office Building, Room 109

Dear Ms. Watson:

Ms. Joyce Watson

Baltimore County Office of

Towson, Maryland 21204

This office has reviewed the referenced item and we have no objection to approval as it does not access a State roadway and is not affected by any State Highway Administration projects.

Please contact Bob Small at 410-333-1350 if you have any questions.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this item.

Very truly yours. **Engineering Access Permits**

My telephone number is ______ Maryland Relay Service for Impaired Hearing or Speech 1-800-735-2258 Statewide Toll Free Mailing Address: P.O. Box 717 • Baltimore, MD 21203-0717

PETITION PROBLEMS

<u>#152 — MJK</u>

Folder says zoning is M.L.-A.S. & B.R.-A.S.; petition wording says B.R.-C.S.-1 & M.L.-I.M. -- Which is correct??

2. No telephone numbers for legal owners.

<u>#155 --- MJK</u>

1. Need title of person signing for legal owner, as well as authorization for this

<u>#158 — MJK</u>

1. No telephone number for legal owner.

2. See planner's memo to hearing officer (no descriptions, plan is illegible).

<u>#159 --- MJK</u>

1. No telephone number for legal owner.

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND Inter-Office Memorandum

October 13, 1995

Hearing Officer

Mitchell J. Kellman

Planner II, PDM

Item #158 8770 Philadelphia Road

This petition was filed "as is" by the request of the attorney. This **does not** meet the filing checklist in the zoning office.

Any questions, let me know.

RE: PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING 3770 Philadelphia Road, Corner NW/S Philadelphia Road, SW/S Ridge Road 14th Election District, 7th Councilmanic Lorraine Volz

Petitioner

ZONING COMMISSIONER OF BALTIMORE COUNTY CASE NO. 96-162-SPH

BEFORE THE

ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

* * * * * * * * * * *

Please enter the appearance of the People's Counsel in the abovecaptioned matter. Notice should be sent of any hearing dates or other proceedings in this matter and of the passage of any preliminary or final Order.

> Ela May Tinneuman PETER MAX ZIMMERMAN People's Counsel for Baltimore County Caules, Somilio

CAROLE S. DEMILIO Deputy People's Counsel Room 47, Courthouse 400 Washington Avenue Towson, MD 21204 (410) 887-2188

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 24th day of November, 1995, a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to Leslie M. Pittler, Esquire, 29 W. Susquehanna Avenue, Towson, MD 21204, attorney for Petitioner.

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ITEM133/PZONE/ZAC1

THIS DEED made this #, day of April, in the year Nineteen hundred and thirty-eight, by ROLAND J.L.VOLZ, of the first part, Grantor, and HENRY M. VOLZ of the second part, Grantee, both of Baltimore County in the State of Maryland.

WHEREAS by the last Will and Testament of John C. Volz, late of Baltimore County deceased, duly admitted to probate by the Orphans Court of Baltimore County, the land and premises hereinafter described being a part of that devised by the said John C. Volz to the said Roland J.L.Volz and Henry M. Volz as tenants in common; and whereas the parties hereto desire to divide the same so that each may hold his portion in severalty, these presents are executed.

THEREFORE THIS DEED WITNESSETH, that in consideration of the sum of Five Dollars and the execution of a deed by the said Henry M. Volz of his undivided interest in and to the rest of the said land, the said Roland J.L.Volz, single, does hereby grant and convey unto the said Henry M. Volz his heirs and assigns, subject to a life estate in and to said property reserved unto their mother Amelia H.R.Volz by the said last Will and Testament of the said John C. Volz all of that land which by the said last Will and Testament of John C. Volz deceased, was devised unto the said Roland J.L.Volz and Henry Volz as tenants in common; saving and excepting that portion of the same which by deed of even date herewith was conveyed by the said Henry M. Volz and wife to the said Roland J.L.Volz as his portion of the whole.

TOGETHER with the buildings and improvements thereon, and all and every the rights, ways, waters, privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging or in anywise appertaining.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said land and premises hereby granted unto the said Henry M. Volz his heirs and assigns forever in fee simple; subject however to the life estate in the said Amelia H.R. Volz hereinbefore mentioned.

AND the said Roland J.L. Volz does hereby covenant that he will

